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Office Action Summary	Application No. 09/857,290	Applicant(s) BRIEUSSEL, BENOIT	
	Examiner David Y. Jung	Art Unit 2134	

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Status

- 1) ☒ Responsive to communication(s) filed on 08 August 2001.
- 2a) ☐ This action is **FINAL**. 2b) ☒ This action is non-final.
- 3) ☐ Since this application is in condition for allowance except for formal matters, prosecution as to the merits is closed in accordance with the practice under *Ex parte Quayle*, 1935 C.D. 11, 453 O.G. 213.

Disposition of Claims

- 4) ☐ Claim(s) 1-20 is/are pending in the application.
4a) Of the above claim(s) _____ is/are withdrawn from consideration.
- 5) ☐ Claim(s) 1-6 and 14-20 is/are allowed.
- 6) ☐ Claim(s) 7,9 and 11 is/are rejected.
- 7) ☐ Claim(s) 8,10,12 and 13 is/are objected to.
- 8) ☐ Claim(s) _____ are subject to restriction and/or election requirement.

Application Papers

- 9) ☐ The specification is objected to by the Examiner.
- 10) ☒ The drawing(s) filed on 08 August 2001 is/are: a) ☒ accepted or b) ☐ objected to by the Examiner.
Applicant may not request that any objection to the drawing(s) be held in abeyance. See 37 CFR 1.85(a).
Replacement drawing sheet(s) including the correction is required if the drawing(s) is objected to. See 37 CFR 1.121(d).
- 11) ☐ The oath or declaration is objected to by the Examiner. Note the attached Office Action or form PTO-152.

Priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119

- 12) ☐ Acknowledgment is made of a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d) or (f).
a) ☐ All b) ☐ Some * c) ☐ None of:
1. ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received.
 2. ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received in Application No. _____.
 3. ☐ Copies of the certified copies of the priority documents have been received in this National Stage application from the International Bureau (PCT Rule 17.2(a)).

* See the attached detailed Office action for a list of the certified copies not received.

Attachment(s)

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DETAILED ACTION

CLAIMS PRESENTED

Claims 1-20 are presented.

While EPO Examiner Feuer has noted that all claims presented to EPO had inventive steps, this USPTO Examiner has taken an independent approach because the US laws and customs differ from that of WIPO and EPO standards.

CLAIM REJECTIONS

The following is a quotation of 35 U.S.C. 103(a) which forms the basis for all obviousness rejections set forth in this Office action:

(a) A patent may not be obtained though the invention is not identically disclosed or described as set forth in section 102 of this title, if the differences between the subject matter sought to be patented and the prior art are such that the subject matter as a whole would have been obvious at the time the invention was made to a person having ordinary skill in the art to which said subject matter pertains. Patentability shall not be negated by the manner in which the invention was made.

Claims 7, 9, 11 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being unpatentable over FR-A-2730330 (cited by Applicant, "Cohen") and FR-A-2759795 (cited by Applicant, "Devaux").

Regarding claim 7, Cohen teaches "A protocol data unit for a chip card that , comprising a header and a data field, the header including the length of the data field and an indication of the expected decompressed data length after decompression of the data field (page 2, lines 3-37)."

These passages of Cohen do not teach "receives compressed data fields" in the sense of the claim.

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Devaux teaches "receives compressed data fields (page 1, line 34 to page 2, line 22)" for the motivation of having easier control (by storing into the card, page 2, the last sentence of the last paragraph, lines 5-9).

Hence, it would have been obvious to those of ordinary skill in the art at the time of the claimed invention to modify and combine teachings of Cohen and Devaux for the motivation noted in the previous paragraphs so as to teach the claimed invention.

Regarding claims 9 (indicate which algorithm was used, etc.), claim 11 (indicate whether compressed), these are well known in the art for the motivation of easier control of the compression handling. For example, the section on the object of the invention noted at page 2 of Cohen (La premiere partie du Systeme) refers to handling multiple algorithms.

Conclusion

The art made of record and not relied upon is considered pertinent to applicant's disclosure. The art disclosed general background.

Allowable Subject Matter

Claims 1-6, 14-20 are allowed.

Claims 8, 10, 12-13 are objected to as being dependent upon a rejected base claim, but would be allowable if rewritten in independent form including all of the limitations of the base claim and any intervening claims.

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The following is a statement of reasons for the indication of allowable subject matter: The prior art did not teach or suggest such decompression over a length determined by the expected length indication in the context of other limitations in the art.

Points of Contact

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David Jung

Patent Examiner

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